

RULE

Department of Health and Hospitals Office of the Secretary

Informed Consent—Hemodialysis (LAC 48:I.2438, 2440, 2442 and 2444)



As authorized by R.S. 40:1299.40(E), as enacted by Act 1093 of 1990 and later amended by Act 962 of 1991, and Act 633 of 1993, the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, in consultation with the Louisiana Medical Disclosure Panel, hereby amends rules which require which risks must be disclosed under the Doctrine of Informed Consent to patients undergoing medical treatments or procedures and the Consent Form to be signed by the patient and physician before undergoing any such treatment or procedure. This amends rules adopted in the *Louisiana Register*, Volume 21, Number 7, pages 700-701 (July 1995).

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Part I. General Administration

Chapter 23. Informed Consent

§2438. Hemodialysis

Note: Itemization of the procedures and risks under a particular specialty does not preclude other qualified practitioners from using those risks identified for that particular procedure.

1. Hypotension (abnormally low blood pressure);
2. blood vessel access problems;
3. anticoagulant complications such as hemorrhage;
4. sepsis (infection in blood stream)
5. cardiac arrhythmias (irregular heartbeats);
6. allergic reactions to tubing and dialyzer;
7. abdominal pain;
8. pulmonary edema (excess fluid in lungs);
9. hypertension (high blood pressure);
10. systemic poisoning from accumulation of toxic levels of metabolic by-products;
11. air bubbles in the bloodstream;
12. abnormal levels of minerals in the blood;
13. acute hemolysis;
14. seizure;
15. blood loss;
16. hypothermia (lowered body temperature);
17. hyperthermia (fever);
18. transfusion complications, such as allergic reaction to blood products;
19. metabolic disorders (protein loss, malnutrition, elevated blood sugar);
20. acquisition of viral infection such as hepatitis or HIV;
21. cardiac arrest (heart stoppage).

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§2440. Peritoneal Dialysis

Note: Itemization of the procedures and risks under a particular specialty does not preclude other qualified practitioners from using those risks identified for that particular procedure.

1. peritonitis (infection within the abdominal cavity);
2. catheter complications (perforation of an organ in the abdomen);
3. hypotension (abnormally low blood pressure)
4. metabolic disorders (protein loss, malnutrition, elevated blood sugar);
5. hypertension (high blood pressure);
6. pulmonary edema (excess fluid in lungs);
7. cardiac arrhythmias (irregular heartbeats);
8. cardiac arrest (heart stoppage);
9. use of temporary access catheter.

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§2442. Insertion of Temporary Hemodialysis Access Catheter

Note: Itemization of the procedures and risks under a particular specialty does not preclude other qualified practitioners from using those risks identified for that particular procedure.

1. blood clots, requiring re-operation;
2. infection;
3. false aneurysm (damaged blood vessel with swelling and risk of rupture);
4. recurrent thrombosis (blood clot);
5. severe edema of extremity (swelling);
6. inadequate blood supply to extremity (interference with blood supply);
7. inadequate blood supply to nerves with resulting paralysis;
8. pneumothorax (air in chest cavity causing collapse of lung).

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§2444. Insertion of Temporary Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter

Note: Itemization of the procedures and risks under a particular specialty does not preclude other qualified practitioners from using those risks identified for that particular procedure.

1. Peritonitis (infection inside the abdominal cavity);
2. bleeding;
3. infection;
4. intestinal perforation (piercing of an organ within the abdominal cavity);
5. ileus (sluggishness and distention of intestines).

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§2446. Percutaneous Renal Biopsy Complications

Note: Itemization of the procedures and risks under a particular specialty does not preclude other qualified practitioners from using those risks identified for that particular procedure.

1. injury to adjacent organs, such as spleen or liver;
2. infection;
3. hypotension (abnormally low blood pressure);
4. bleeding from the kidney;
5. internal bleeding;
6. intestinal perforation.

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